



PARK & RECREATION COMMISSION AGENDA

Monday, July 8, 2024

6:30 p.m.

Public Works

Conference Room

Call to Order

Roll Call

Adopt Agenda

Approval of May 2024 Meeting Minutes

Old Business

1. Al Flynn Park Update
2. 2025 Park and Trail Project Budget Discussion

New Business

Other Business

3. Misc. Park Maintenance Updates
4. Recreation Updates

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Park & Rec - Regular

Meeting Date: 07/08/2024

SUBJECT: Approval of May 2024 Meeting Minutes

Attachments

May2024Minutes

COON RAPIDS PARK & RECREATION COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES OF MONDAY, MAY 13, 2024

The regular meeting of the Parks & Recreation Commission was called to order on MAY 13, 2024 at 6:30 p.m.

Members Present: Commissioners Neal Livermore, Bill Reichenborn, and Grace Baehren, Wade Demmer and Ryan McAlpine

Members Absent: NONE

Also Present: Gregg Engle Parks Superintendent and Ryan Gunderson Recreation Supervisor; Residents Kylie Umolac & Julie Rohlfen

ROLL CALL

Neal Livermore acknowledged the roll call.

1. APPROVAL OF THE APRIL 2024 AGENDA

AGENDA APPROVED

2. APPROVAL MEETING MINUTES

APPROVAL of APRIL 2024 MINUTES

3. OLD BUSINESS

A. NONE

4. NEW BUSINESS

A. Coon Rapids Active Transportation Plan Conversation

Coon Rapids has received a grant from the MN Department of Transportation to create an Active Transportation Plan. This plan will include suggested updates to the sidewalk and trail system, as well as suggested safety improvements that could be made to the existing system. The City Sustainability Planner led the Commission on a brainstorming exercise to collect data for the plan. The City also launched a Citywide online survey for the plan.

B. 2025 Park and Trail Project Budget Discussion

Staff gave an update on the 2025 budget process. The currently proposed budget for 2025 includes funding for trails, including artillery trails to the Sand Creek trail and Main Street fog sealing. Park misc. improvements include Burl Oaks and Aspen Park. Additionally, there is \$20,000 for concrete work and funding for basketball court replacement at Sand Creek Elementary park. Other requests include completion of Soccer field lighting, technology, Moor Park baseball and irrigation updates.

5. OTHER BUSINESS

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A. Miscellaneous Park Updates for May 2024

- Construction on the Coon Creek trail project, as well as the 2024 trail rehab segments, is set to begin in late July/early August.
- Cardinal Woods playground replacement update
- Soccer Field lighting project update
- Moor Park Basketball and Tennis Courts update
- Trail Improvement update
- Seasonal employment staffing update
- Public Works Open House May 18th from 10am to 12pm at the Public Works building.
1831 111th Ave NW

B. Recreation Updates for May 2024

- The Twin Cities Gateway hosted a Senior Softball USA - SSUSA tournament at Sand Creek from April 30th to May 5th. The tournament was new to the area and they are looking to combine it with a local event next year in June. Rain created some challenges and the tournament was successful.
- Summer programming started this week with RevSports programs at Sand Creek. Classes offer an intro to soccer and t-ball.
- The first intro to pickleball classes took place on Saturday evening and was sold out.
- The softball leagues started on the 29th. However, rain caused 3 of the 4 nights to be canceled. Rain has caused some field shuffling to get the driest fields prepared each night. This year there are 63 teams participating over the 4 nights. There were 62 teams in 2023.
- The Farmer's Market will begin on June 19th with the kickoff event. New vendors have been signing up and we look forward to growing the market.
- Movie in the park is scheduled for Friday, May 24th and was included in a flier to all elementary students with the Public Works Open house.
- Look for information on July is Parks and Recreation month in the next Citywide Newsletter that goes to print on Monday the 20th.
- The Youth 1st Community of Promise partnership hosted its 30th annual Mayor's Prayer Breakfast on May 3rd at Bunker Hills and it was well attended, raising funds for programming

6. ADJOURNMENT

MEETING WAS ADJOURNED at 8:00pm

Respectfully submitted,

Ryan Gunderson

Recreation Supervisor



Park & Rec - Regular

1.

Meeting Date: 07/08/2024

Subject: Al Flynn Park Update

From: Ryan Gunderson, Recreation Supervisor

INTRODUCTION

The MN DNR grant for Al Flynn park did not receive funding this cycle. There were over \$16M in requests and only \$4M to award. Staff will work with City Council throughout the remaining 2024 and 2025 budget cycle to explore options for funding the project. This was a 50/50 grant for a \$572,000 total project.

DISCUSSION

RECOMMENDATION



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2.

Meeting Date: 07/08/2024

Subject: 2025 Park and Trail Project Budget Discussion

From: Ryan Gunderson, Recreation Supervisor

INTRODUCTION

Staff will provide the Commission with an update on its current status for the 2025 budget. Changes are still being made and tweaks until the Council approves the preliminary budget in August.

DISCUSSION

RECOMMENDATION



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3.

Meeting Date: 07/08/2024

Subject: Misc. Park Maintenance Updates

From: Ryan Gunderson, Recreation Supervisor

INTRODUCTION

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4.

Meeting Date: 07/08/2024

Subject: Recreation Updates

From: Ryan Gunderson, Recreation Supervisor

INTRODUCTION

Recreation Updates for July 2024

- Rec on the Spot is having a successful season with increased numbers throughout. Starting July 8th we have expanded the apartment offerings to include a Monday location. July 30th, 31st and August 1st will provide special events at Riverview park from 1-2:30pm on each day. This includes Track & Field Day, Meet Rocky, and 3rd Lair Skate park clinic.
- The Senior bus is due for replacement in 2025 and the bus in 2029. City staff is evaluating the program that provides for transportation to the center as well as trips.
- The Farmers Market is up and running each Wednesday from 3-6pm. This year we have additional vendors with crafts and cottage bakers. Each week there are about 10 vendors on site.
- Last Summer in the City event will be on Tuesday, July 16th, at Woodview Park from 6:30pm to 8pm.

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